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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office action dated March 8, 2004, applicants provisionally elect, without traverse, Group VI, claims 84-92, drawn to compounds of formula IV as represented by Table III on page 30, where A, B and D represent CH₂ and C represents S, pharmaceutical compositions containing these compounds and methods of using these compounds.

The Examiner is welcome to contact the undersigned with any questions or comments.

If an extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor. Please charge any fees required by the filing of this response to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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